

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI  
NORTHERN DIVISION**

**MISSISSIPPI STATE CONFERENCE OF THE  
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE  
ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE;  
DR. ANDREA WESLEY; DR. JOSEPH  
WESLEY; ROBERT EVANS; GARY  
FREDERICKS; PAMELA HAMNER;  
BARBARA FINN; OTHO BARNES;  
SHIRLINDA ROBERTSON; SANDRA  
SMITH; DEBORAH HULITT; RODESTA  
TUMBLIN; DR. KIA JONES;  
MARCELEAN ARRINGTON;  
VICTORIA ROBERTSON**

**PLAINTIFFS**

**VS.**

**CIVIL ACTION NO. 3:22-cv-734-DPJ-HSO-LHS**

**STATE BOARD OF ELECTION  
COMMISSIONERS; TATE REEVES, *in his  
official capacity as Governor of Mississippi*;  
LYNN FITCH, *in her official capacity as  
Attorney General of Mississippi*; MICHAEL  
WATSON, *in his official capacity as Secretary  
of State of Mississippi***

**DEFENDANTS**

**AND**

**MISSISSIPPI REPUBLICAN EXECUTIVE  
COMMITTEE**

**INTERVENOR DEFENDANT**

---

**NOTICE OF APPEAL**

---

Defendants State Board of Election Commissioners, Tate Reeves, in his official capacity as Governor of Mississippi, Lynn Fitch, in her official capacity as Attorney General of Mississippi, and Michael Watson, in his official capacity as Secretary of State of Mississippi, hereby appeal to the United States Supreme Court from the entirety of the Final Judgment [ECF #263] entered on

May 7, 2025, in the above-styled and numbered cause. This appeal is taken pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1253 within the time for appeal permitted by 28 U.S.C. § 2101(b).

THIS the 3rd day of July, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

STATE BOARD OF ELECTION  
COMMISSIONERS, TATE REEVES, IN HIS  
OFFICIAL CAPACITY AS GOVERNOR OF  
MISSISSIPPI, LYNN FITCH, IN HER OFFICIAL  
CAPACITY AS ATTORNEY GENERAL OF  
MISSISSIPPI, AND MICHAEL WATSON, IN HIS  
OFFICIAL CAPACITY AS SECRETARY OF  
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, DEFENDANTS

By: LYNN FITCH, ATTORNEY GENERAL  
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

By: s/Rex M. Shannon III  
REX M. SHANNON III (MB #102974)  
Special Assistant Attorney General

REX M. SHANNON III (MB #102974)  
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI  
OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL  
CIVIL LITIGATION DIVISION  
Post Office Box 220  
Jackson, Mississippi 39205-0220  
Tel.: (601) 359-4184  
Fax: (601) 359-2003  
rex.shannon@ago.ms.gov

TOMMIE S. CARDIN (MB #5863)  
P. RYAN BECKETT (MB #99524)  
B. PARKER BERRY (MB #104251)  
BUTLER SNOW LLP  
Post Office Box 6010  
Ridgeland, Mississippi 39158-6010  
Tel.: (601) 985-4570  
Fax: (601) 985-4500  
tommie.cardin@butlersnow.com  
ryan.beckett@butlersnow.com  
parker.berry@butlersnow.com

ATTORNEYS FOR DEFENDANTS STATE  
BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS,  
TATE REEVES, IN HIS OFFICIAL CAPACITY  
AS GOVERNOR OF MISSISSIPPI, LYNN  
FITCH, IN HER OFFICIAL CAPACITY AS  
ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSISSIPPI, AND  
MICHAEL WATSON, IN HIS OFFICIAL  
CAPACITY AS SECRETARY OF STATE OF  
MISSISSIPPI

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Rex M. Shannon III, Special Assistant Attorney General and one of the attorneys for the above-named defendants, do hereby certify that I have this date caused to be filed with the Clerk of the Court a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing via the Court's ECF filing system, which sent notification of such filing to all counsel of record, and that I have this date caused to be served, via electronic mail, a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing to all counsel of record.

I further certify that I have this date caused to be served, via first-class United States Mail, postage prepaid, a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing to the following:

Ari J. Savitzky, Esq.  
American Civil Liberties Union Foundation, Inc. – New York  
125 Broad Street  
17th Floor  
New York, New York 10004  
212-549-2681

Joshua F. Tom, Esq.  
ACLU of Mississippi – Jackson  
Post Office Box 2242  
Jackson, Mississippi 39225-2242  
601-354-3408

**ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFFS**

Michael B. Wallace, Esq.  
Charles E. Cowan, Esq.  
Wise Carter Child & Caraway, P.A.  
Post Office Box 651  
Jackson, Mississippi 39205-0651  
601-968-5500

**ATTORNEYS FOR INTERVENOR DEFENDANT MISSISSIPPI REPUBLICAN  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

THIS the 3rd day of July, 2025.

s/Rex M. Shannon III  
REX M. SHANNON III